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18th Judicial Circuit - East

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Honorable Jim Hannah
Chief Justice
Arkansas Supreme Court
Justice Building
625 Marshall Street
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Chief Justice Hannah:

Re: Administrative Plan - 18th Judicial District East

As per Administrative Order Number 14 (as amended), the following Administrative Plan is submitted for approval by majority vote of the circuit judges in this district. The sole dissent was to placing a time limit on reopens.

A. Case Assignment:

With the exception of juvenile matters, all cases will be assigned among the four circuit judges by random selection. The physical process of assignment is by blind drawing of colored chips by the clerk's office at the time the case is filed.

B. Case Allocation:

Cases in the juvenile division are exclusively assigned to Division II.
Cases in the criminal division are equally divided between Divisions I and IV.

The percentages of all cases assigned are set forth as follows:

	<u>DIV. I</u>	<u>DIV. II</u>	<u>DIV. III</u>	<u>DIV. IV</u>
Criminal	50	0	0	50
Civil	20	20	40	20
Family Law	20	20	40	20
Probate	25	25	25	25
Juvenile	0	100	0	0

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C. Caseload Estimate:

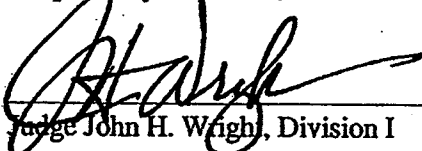
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Civil	344	317	618	287
Family Law	267	273	560	281
Probate	190	176	159	136
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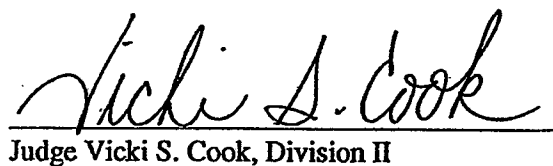
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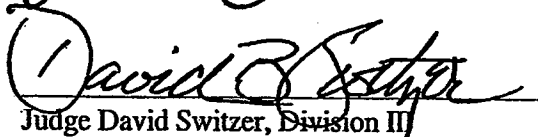
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All supplemental proceedings, "reopened cases" will be heard by the judge to whom the matter was originally assigned, except after the expiration of two (2) years from the date of filing, a "reopened case" will be treated as a new filing.

Respectfully submitted,


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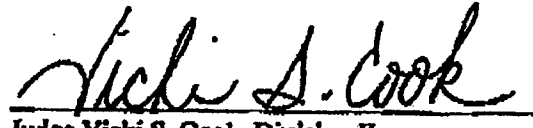
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